

REMEMBER THE SINGIN' SKULE BEGINMENT, DECEMBER 18th.

Bryan Morning Eagle

FOURTEENTH YEAR

BRYAN, TEXAS, WEDNESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 16, 1908.

NUMBER 7

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Shoes

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Gloves

Men's High-
Grade

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See Our Add
On Other Page

A. J.
WAGNER
& CO.

Smallpox
The baby
The admiral
with a smallpox
was moved to a
can was

For Texas.
The Cudahy Pack
report that it
has not even

Baby Burns to

San Angelo, Tex., Dec. 18.—The baby
was born to death at Row-
ena, Runnels county. The father was
working at a gin, the mother in a
field. Three children were left alone
in the house. They were playing with
matches.

NUTS: Package Fruits:

English Walnuts
Shelled Walnuts
Select Pecans
Shelled Pecans
Tarragona Almonds
Naples Filberts
Brazil Nuts
Queen Olives in bulk
Batavia W. Mince-Meat

Howell & Newton
(INCORPORATED)

VIRTUAL STATE OF WAR.

Holland and Venezuela Nearing
Clashing Point.

UNCLE SAM IS WATCHFUL

Dutch Battleship Arrives in Harbor of
Willemstad Having in Tow the Coast
Guard Vessel Captured, With The
Netherlands Flag Flying.

Washington, Dec. 15.—The existence
of what amounts practically to a state
of war between Holland and Venezuela,
the absence for the first time in
many years in an acute crisis of this
kind of American warships from their
proper sphere influence, and the pro-
fession by the state department officials
of their ignorance of the intentions
of Holland, constitute a most
serious and interesting international
situation. So long as the Dutch ships
act strictly within the lines of the Monroe
doctrine as construed in the annual
message to congress of President
Roosevelt last year, so long as no at-
tempt is made to seize Venezuelan
territory for permanent occupation; so
long as Dutch warship captains con-
fine their activities to the seizure of
Venezuelan ships and blockade ports
and thus attempt to redress the af-
front to Holland's honor, there will
probably be no interference on the
part of the United States government.

This telegram was received from
Willemstad: "The Dutch battleship
Jacob von Heemskerk arrived in the
harbor towing as a prize the Venezuelan
coast guardship, '23 de Mayo.'
Word of the capture had already been
received here and a great throng of
people lined the quays to witness the
entrance of the Dutch battleship con-
ducting her capture within the harbor.
The flag of The Netherlands had been
hoisted to the peak of the captured
Venezuelan coast guardship and astern
the Dutch flag floated the Venezuelan
colors. Although the Venezuelan flag
is still shown, it is in minor contrast
to the Dutch pennant flying from the

mainmast and foremast of both the
warship and its prize.

The capture of the "23 de Mayo," ef-
fected Dec. 13 at a point a little north
of Cumana, on the Gulf of Caraco.
The battleship Heemskerk observed
"23 de Mayo" in the offing, took pos-
session of her and sent a prize crew
aboard. The Venezuelan crew which
had been in charge of "23 de Mayo"
was sent ashore in small boats of
the captured ship. The Heemskerk
then proceeded back to Willemstad
escorting her prize.

The Dutch cruiser Gelderland left
for the Venezuelan coast. She had
on board seamen thoroughly ac-
quainted with the small bays and in-
lets along the Venezuelan shores.

The "23 de Mayo," while classed as
a coast guardship, is a unit of the
Venezuelan navy, but her size and
strength are insignificant. She is of
130 tons and armed with one machine
gun.

The Gelderland started out after the
Venezuelan torpedo boat Marfariata,
a steel vessel of ninety-seven tons,
and armed with four three-pounders
and two torpedo tubes. This vessel is
supposed to be off the Island of Mar-
garia.

The Jacob von Heemskerk will
leave here at once to resume her pa-
trol service on the coast.

FELINES AND CANINES.

Fine Cats and Dogs Are Assembled at
Chicago on Exhibition.

Chicago, Oct. 15.—The Coliseum An-
nex has within its walls many fine
specimens of cats and dogs, being the
annual exhibit of the annual cat and
dog show.

The show is given jointly by the
Beresford Cat club, the Western Bos-
ton Terrier club and the American Toy
Dog club. The number of exhibits is
greater than ever before, and the show
is the finest ever given in Chicago.

Culpepper Convicted.

Tulsa, Okla., Dec. 15.—J. W. Culpe-
per, convicted for killing David Webb,
was given eight years in the state
penitentiary. He will appeal. Webb
was shot last August upon entering
the grocery of Culpepper.

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Waco, Dec. 15.—On the fourth floor
of a local hotel, Joe Wright, a bar-
tender, and J. W. McKenney, a former
Katy railway brakeman, fought a ter-
rible duel with pocketknives. Wright
was fearfully slashed about the face
and neck. He may die. McKenney,
who was wounded in a side and on
the neck, will recover.

UNTIL NEXT SUNDAY.

Governor Will See if Gamblers
Are Sincere.

Austin, Dec. 15.—In view of the ac-
tion of gambling houses at San An-
tonio Monday night in closing and an-
nouncing their intention to obey the
law, the governor indicated that there
will be no further move on the part
of the state until next Sunday, when
he will see what is done then with
reference to keeping open on Sundays.
The governor reiterated his determina-
tion to have the laws enforced at San
Antonio and Galveston.

It has leaked out that certain citi-
zens of San Antonio were here Sun-
day and had a long talk with the
governor and told him the exact situa-
tion there, and the result of this con-
ference is believed to have been the
direct cause of the decision of the
gambling house proprietors to close.

The governor has not yet disclosed
what plan he has in hand to make of-
ficials enforce a law other than with-
holding commissions.

Governor Campbell received from
the Galveston Ministerial association
a letter protesting against a flagrant
violation of law there and detailing
how the law is not enforced.

A delegation of San Antonio citi-
zens, including Marshall Hicks, former
Sheriff Nat Lewis and F. A. Chapin,
had a conference with the governor,
and it is believed the situation
was discussed, although Senator Hicks
said he is here to get a pardon for a San
Antonio man.

Rev. Father Kerwin of Galveston is
here and had a lengthy conference
with the governor on the situation at
his city. Father Kerwin said he came
to see the governor about the ordi-
nance recently held void by the su-
preme court.

MILLIONS TO BE SPENT.

Manufacturing Town to Be Es-
tablished Near Houston.

Houston, Dec. 15.—A new manufac-
turing town is to be built near here
on the ship canal and millions of dol-
lars will be spent. Pittsburg capital-
ists signed contracts to buy 8,000
acres. The will organize a corpora-
tion with \$5,000,000 capital. Natural
gas from Humble will be used for
fuel. A turning basin, wharves and
tracks will be constructed. It is ex-
pected the town will start off with
10,000 population.

FRIGHTFUL FIGHT.

Three Men Have Terrible Duel at
Waco With Pocketknives.

Waco, Dec. 15.—On the fourth floor
of a local hotel, Joe Wright, a bar-
tender, and J. W. McKenney, a former
Katy railway brakeman, fought a ter-
rible duel with pocketknives. Wright
was fearfully slashed about the face
and neck. He may die. McKenney,
who was wounded in a side and on
the neck, will recover.

Child Choked to Death.

Pittsburg, Dec. 15.—Paul Thompson,
four years old, choked to death on a
piece of orange.

CONDENSED REPORT OF THE
CONDITION OF

THE CITY NATIONAL BANK

OF BRYAN TEXAS

As made to the Comptroller of the Currency
at the close of business November 27, 1908.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	\$195,906.27
U. S. Bonds and Premium	104,000.00
Bonds, Securities	8,516.00
Furniture and Fixtures	2,626.00
CASH	309,197.1
	\$620,245.39

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	\$50,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	93,800.53
Circulation	50,000.00
DEPOSITS	426,444.86
	\$620,245.39

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Brazos. I, Albert W. Wilkerson,
cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear
that the foregoing statement is true to the best of my
knowledge and belief.

ALBERT W. WILKERSON, Cashier.

Correct—Attest: } J. W. English
E. H. Astin
G. S. Parker
Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this the 30th day
of November, 1908. FRED. L. CAVITT,
Notary Public Brazos County, Texas.

Governor Wires Publishing Houses.

Washington, Dec. 15.—The following
fourth-class Texas postoffices have
been raised to presidential ones: Atto,
Blooming Grove, Hutto, Loraine, Blos-
ton, Rosenberg and Wellington, \$1,100
salary; McLean and Shamrock, \$1,200;
Celia, \$1,300; Mahan, \$1,000. Presi-
dent nominated the following Texas
postmasters: Thomas A. Pope, Cam-
eron; Arthur E. Foster, Venus; J. W.
eBranton, Anson; Everett Johnson,
Jacksboro.

Sherman Big Beneficiary.

Sherman, Dec. 15.—It was stated
here that \$200,000 of the money sec-
ured by Mr. Yoakum for the Rock
Island-Frisco betterments will be spent
in Sherman in enlarging the shops and
battering of the roadbed north of the
city. The division will also be ex-
tended.

Beaten, Choked and Robbed.

San Antonio, Dec. 15.—Nathan Zal-
inger, twenty years old, was beaten,
choked into insensibility and robbed of
\$20. Police are hunting a negro and
negress.

NEW ARRIVALS.

Ruchings, Ruching Neckwear, Belt Pins, Buckles,
Silk Embroidered Hose, Belts, Fine Embroidered

Linen Handkerchiefs, Etc.

Selected Special For Xmas Shoppers.

WILSON & DERDEN

PHONE 120

Columbus, O.,
ties respectively of 1,700 and
1,100. Jefferson, Sandusky and Clermont
looms. Jefferson county voted we-
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Mr. E. J. Fountain
requests the honor of your presence at the sale of
his full line of
Fancy Groceries
to
His Many Customers
on Saturday morning, eight o'clock, December 12th
nineteen hundred and eight
at his store
Bryan, Texas

LOCALS AND PERSONALS.

Sergeant and Mrs. J. M. Kenny of the A. and M. College were visitors to the city Tuesday.

WANTED—White man to work on farm by the month. Good home for right party. Apply at Eagle office. 8-10

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Kennedy of Fountain Switch, transacted business with Santa Claus in Bryan Tuesday.

Mr. John Rumfield was among Madison county's representatives who did business with Bryan merchants Tuesday.

Have that joyful feeling, let our furniture wagon back up to your door with Xmas presents. Buchanan-Moore Co.

Mrs. B. M. Kersey left yesterday for her home in Milam county after a visit to her brother, Mr. Jesse Cobb of this city.

Visit our show windows, see the beautiful Christmas tree. Buchanan-Moore Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Whit Doremus returned to their home in Calvert yesterday after a visit to Mr. Doremus' parents in this city.

FOR RENT—My residence, furnished or unfurnished. Mrs. Dr. Jas. R. Johnson. 302-328

Mrs. W. A. Loving returned yesterday to her home in Waco, after a visit to her sister, Mrs. Walter Higgs of this city.

Smoking Jackets and bath robes in attractive designs and colors at Brandon & Lawrence.

Mr. John E. Crow was among the Madison county delegation of representatives who transacted business in Bryan Tuesday.

Get the Christmas feeling. A look at Emmel & Maloney's stock will go a long way to make you feel that way and a small purchase will not cost you much.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Cotton of Grimes County inspected the fine lines of merchandise which Bryan merchants are showing Tuesday.

Just received the late novelties in neckwear for gentlemen. Brandon & Lawrence.

Mr. Dave Shannon, a Madison county citizen, shook hands with old friends in Bryan Tuesday and purchased a bill of holiday goods.

LOST—A pink the crescent brooch set with pearls, between the residence of Mrs. H. E. Peverley and A. J. Wagner and Co. Reward for return to Eagle office. D2t

Mr. Elbert Barnett of Madison county transacted business with Bryan's up-to-date dealers Tuesday.

Miss Jodie Fender was a visitor from Wellborn Tuesday and inspected the beautiful holiday lines of goods our merchants are now displaying.

Mr. Lee Jowers of Millican is ill at the home of his sister, Mrs. Walter Higgs of this city.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Free Baptist church will give a Bazaar on next Saturday, Dec. 19, at the old Tom Lee restaurant, for the benefit of the church. Your patronage will be appreciated.

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LITTLE LOCALS.

Mrs. S. J. Stringer and Mrs. J. C. Davis of Navasota are in the city for a few days.

Two cars of scrap iron were loaded here yesterday for shipment to foundries at distant points.

The gain will all be ours by hearing Mr. Proctor at the court house this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The many friends of Mr. S. B. Buchanan will be sorry to learn that he is quite sick with pneumonia.

Read the call of the Mayor and aldermen for a mass meeting of citizens to be held in Carnegie Hall tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock.

We can furnish you all the necessities to complete the dress of a man for social occasions. Brandon & Lawrence.

Mr. Sam Buchanan has purchased a new sulky gang plow to be used on his farm near the city. Mr. Buchanan fed cattle on the land during the fall and the plow will be used in preparing for cultivation.

Mr. A. D. McKenzie of Madisonville was a business visitor to the city Tuesday. Mr. McKenzie like all good business men, trades where he can do so to the best advantage. That's why he is selling cotton and buying family supplies in Bryan.

Wagons heavily laden with piling and other bridge material left this city Tuesday afternoon for the county road crossing on the Little Brazos, better known as the Old Moseley Ferry road. About 400 feet of the structure will be practically rebuilt.

Mr. Colby D. Hall, educational secretary of the Christian denomination, will speak in the Christian church here next Sunday morning and evening. The theme of the morning discourse will be "Church Education," and the night subject will be "Give the Boy a Chance." The Allen Academy students and the young ladies of the Texas Woman's college have accepted an invitation to attend the evening service.

Two cars of material were received here yesterday to be used in rebuilding the sand house of the International and Great Northern railway company, destroyed by fire some three weeks ago. The new building will be much larger than that which was burned and will be made as nearly fireproof as possible. Workmen arrived yesterday and construction began immediately.

Mr. Holly D. Brown of Wheelock was in the city Tuesday. Last Saturday Mr. Brown, Mr. George Dunn and other friends hunted deer down in the Cedar creek brakes near his home, and succeeded in killing one young buck. Mr. Brown states that several deer were started during the chase, but only one was killed. He was fortunate in getting a shot at the only animal secured and dropped him.

Mr. I. J. Thomas of Madisonville, Madison county, came in Tuesday morning with cotton which he sold on the Bryan market. Realizing the fact that Bryan is a good place in which to buy or sell, Mr. Thomas had two of his neighbors accompany him on the trip, who will no doubt be favorably

impressed with this city's many advantages as a buying and selling point. By the way, in Mr. Hewitt's article printed today, is stated some of the advantages enjoyed here in a transportation way. Bryan has the same freight rates as Fort Worth and Waco. That is one reason this city can after more for cotton and sell merchandise at closer prices than any other town in this section.

The barn and woodshed at the residence of Mr. H. Gerke, in the western part of the city was destroyed by fire at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning. The woodshed contained a large supply of fuel, and some feedstuff was stored in the barn. The fire department responded promptly to an alarm of fire, but on account of the residence being situated without fire limits, no water was obtainable from the city mains.

Mr. Alfred Aiken of Madisonville came in Tuesday morning with cotton which he disposed of here and returned with purchases made of Bryan's progressive merchants and their obliging salesmen and ladies. Bryan's supremacy as a trading point is well maintained among our friends in Madison county who realize, the advantages of doing business here.

At a recent meeting of Bryan Lodge No. 859, Brotherhood Protective Order of Elks, the Exalted Ruler appointed Messrs. J. M. Gordon, O. S. Johnson and H. A. Saunders as Social Session Committee for December. With the reputation of these gentlemen behind them no doubt the Elks' parlors will be the scene of several delightful social events during the festive season. It has been announced that Bryan Lodge 859 will have "open house" on New Year's day and a reception be held in the evening, which has been the custom in the past and a social event of much importance in Bryan.

With these efficient officers, Brazos Lodge No. 64 will be certain to continue in its upward progress. Quite an interesting meeting was held and other business of importance was transacted.

Hearing that Roosevelt is to attend the circus at Allen Academy Friday, Dec. 18, Booker T. Washington has wired for permission to attend in order to get in the swim.

LOST—A pink tie, with half moon brooch set with pearls, between the residence of Charley Stillwell and A. J. Wagner & Co. Reward for return to the Eagle office. d2t

Everybody invited. 8

Baptist Tea.

At the residence of Mrs. J. F. Parks Mesdames J. B. Sanders, M. E. Weaver, W. A. Withers, J. W. Howell and E. F. Parks will give a tea on Thursday afternoon from 3 to 6, Dec 17th.

Everybody invited. 8

Grand Opera House **21st**
Monday, December
ROWLAND & CLIFFORD'S
NEW BIG DRAMATIC HIT!
THORNS AND
ORANGE BLOSSOMS

PLY (F THE BETTER SORT

Novel Plot Strong Climaxes Rare Heart Interest

SEWERS AND WATERWORKS

Mayor and Aldermen Request Citizens to Meet With Them Tomorrow.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen urgently request every citizen of Bryan to attend a meeting which will be held at Carnegie Hall Thursday, Dec. 17 at 4 o'clock p. m. sharp for the purpose of discussing the advisability of proceeding at once with the necessary steps for the speedy installation of a sewerage system and waterworks by the city.

At this meeting, the citizens will be shown what the city contemplates doing to meet the present needs for sewers and waterworks and a general idea of the cost of these improvements will be given. Full and free discussion is desired.

Meeting of Knights of Pythias

At a regular meeting of Brazos Lodge No. 64, Knights of Pythias held last night, the following officers were elected for the next ensuing term: C. M. Bell, chancellor commander; W. H. Bell, vice chancellor; W. S. Wilson, Jr., prelate; J. M. Hare, master of work; J. W. Williams, Jr., master at arms; W. H. Lawrence, keeper of records and seal; Joe B. Reed, master of finance; W. S. Wilson, Sr., master of exchequer; J. E. Brown, inner guard; J. T. Maloney, outer guard; John C. Vick, trustee; George A. Adams, grand representative.

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STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF

THE

First National Bank
of Bryan

AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS NOV. 27, 1908

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	\$225,576.08
Demand Loans on Cotton	46,497.09
U. S. Bonds and Premiums	156,400.00
State Bonds and Premiums	51,864.00
Real Estate, Furniture and Fixtures	9,650.00
CASH	\$169,618.00
	\$659,605.17

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Profits	87,519.76
Circulation	100,000.00
DEPOSITS	372,085.41
	\$659,605.17

I, L. L. McInnis, Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Correct—Attest:

J. W. Howell
Guy M. Bryan, Jr.
H. O. Boatwright

L. L. McInnis, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this, November 30, 1908.
W. P. Bryan,
Notary Public, Brazos County, Texas

**HANG ON TO
YOUR DOLLAR**

Until you have seen our stock of Holiday Goods. It's your own fault if you don't let us save money for you.

E. J. Jenkins

The Big Grocery Sale

will continue until everything is disposed of. Hundreds of new buyers as well as our old customers are taking advantage of this close-out sale for cash. Remember all purchases of One Dollar and over delivered free. Below we quote a few prices on articles that have not appeared before. All other goods in proportion:

18 lbs. Granulated Sugar for	\$1.00
Swift's Premium Ham per pound	14c
Swift's Premium Bacon per lb.	20c
18-oz. Bot. Fancy Selected Queen Olives, per bottle	20c
20-oz. Bot. Fancy Selected Queen Olives per bottle	25c
18-oz. Bot. Fancy Selected Stuffed Olives, per bottle	20c
14-oz. Bot. Hyman's sour mixed pickles, per bottle	7½c

40-oz Bot. Hyman's sour mixed pickles, per bottle	20c
64-oz Bot. Hyman's sour mixed pickles, per bottle	.35c
One-half Gallon Hyman's sour Mixed Pickles, per bottle	.50c
40-oz Bot. Hyman's sour spiced Lily Hot, per bottle	20c
40-oz Bot. Hyman's sour spiced Chow-Chow, per bottle	20c
20-oz Bot. Heinz sour spiced Mixed Pickles	12½c

24-oz Bot. Heinz sour spiced Mixed Pickles	17½c
24-oz Bot. Heinz Sweet Mixed Pickles, per bottle	20c
32-oz Bot. Heinz India Relish per bottle	25c
14-oz Bot. Heinz Evaporated Horse Radish	25c
All kinds of Bulk Pickles at greatly reduced prices.	

We have plenty of all goods previously advertised at prices quoted. Call to see us or phone your orders. Remember these goods are all fresh clean stock and will be sold at prices quoted.

Phone 42.

WILL S. KELLY

There's many a delightful, acceptable and appreciable Christmas gifts in our big new stock.

Classy High Grade Goods

Offered now at a very low cost, no better goods any where, no bigger assortment. Get in early and make your selections, we will take pleasure in showing you.

EMMEL & MALONEY
PRESCRIPTION DRUGGISTS Phone 66

GROCERY GOODIES

Crystallized Cherries, per pound.....	65c
Crystallized Pine Apples, per pound.....	65c
Large Fine Imported Figs, per pound.....	25c

Just received a large shipment of BLANK-WENNEKER CANDY CO.'S

Fine Candies

Per pound.....40c

ED. HALL PHONE 22 & 114

RAILROAD TIME CARD.

H. & T. C. Schedule.

No. 8 North bound.....	1:38 p.m.
No. 5 North bound.....	12:46 a.m.
No. 2 South bound.....	3:40 p.m.
No. 9 South bound.....	2:48 a.m.

I. & G. N. Schedule.

No. 14 North bound.....	12:54 p. m.
No. 15 South bound.....	4:14 p. m.

LOCALS AND PERSONALS.

Mr. Edgar Wilson of Alexander was in the city Tuesday.

Things beautiful as well as useful at Buchanan-Moore Co.

Mr. M. Mims of Steep Hollow was in the city Tuesday.

Mr. Jack Tobias of Kurten was in town Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. John Astin returned yesterday from Brenham.

Mr. J. M. Peters of Steep Hollow was in the city Tuesday.

Talk to James & Nunn about furniture. A saving of 15 per cent.

Mr. Tal Tobias was here from his home at Kurten Tuesday.

HOUSE FOR RENT—One of Mrs. Koppe's houses. Apply to D. Mike.

Car northern snapped ear corn on track. Vick's Feed Store.

Mr. John Casey was a business visitor from Madison Tuesday.

See our show windows open every night. Buchanan-Moore Co.

Don't miss the Big Circus Friday afternoon, tickets for sale at Parks & Waldrop's.

Mrs. James Swanson of Navasota is the guest of Mrs. D. C. Zuber.

Mr. Hugh Royall of Union Hill was a visitor to the city Tuesday.

Hosiery in plain or racy effects, the guaranteed kind. 25c a pair. Brandon and Lawrence.

Mr. J. W. Mathis of Reliance transacted business here Tuesday.

Mr. C. N. Shealey of Reliance was a visitor to the city Tuesday.

Car choice June cut forney hay on track. Vick's Feed Store.

Mr. G. G. Walker of Alexander transacted business here Tuesday.

Cotton and light weight wool in Men's underwear two-piece or union suits as you prefer. Brandon and Lawrence.

Mr. Ivy Foster returned yesterday from a hunt in the Panhandle.

Miss Lucy Christian left yesterday for a visit to friends in Calvert.

15 per cent off on all furniture purchased for cash at James & Nunn's till Jan. 1.

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Mallet of Grimes county were holiday shoppers here.

A competent man or woman can secure a good position at the Allen Academy as manager of the new dining hall.

Mr. W. H. Lang of Kurten was a business visitor to the city Tuesday.

Three Wilson Heaters for Sale cheap. Phone 385 or call. Mrs. W. E. Austin.

Postmaster J. Allen Myers has returned from a business trip to Dallas.

Wanted—Competent manager for dining room. Good wages for the right party. Allen Academy.

Attention is directed to the splendid millinery bargains in the ad of A. J. Wagner & Co.

See the largest elephant in captivity at the great circus Friday afternoon. Tickets on sale at Parks & Waldrop's.

Captain W. A. Bell was in the city Tuesday from his home in the bottom. \$5.00 Reward—I will pay \$5.00 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the party who severed the elevator rope at the opera house Tuesday. John B. Mike, Mgr.

Mr. Johnnie McKee was a business visitor from Madison county Tuesday.

Mr. James Broach and Mr. J. Harris were in the city Tuesday from Tabor.

LOST—An officer's shoulder strap, having two bars. Return to Eagle office.

Mr. Sam Roscoe of Madison county was a business visitor to the city Tuesday.

The ladies of the Christian church will give a bazaar Thursday and Friday at the Tom Lee restaurant. Your patronage will be appreciated.

Mr. W. H. Morgan of Reliance was a business visitor to the city Tuesday.

See our assortment of Pajamas and nightrobes before you make your purchase. Brandon & Lawrence.

Mrs. George Gilbert of Reliance was in the city Tuesday on a shopping trip.

Darnomore hose guaranteed for six months, 6 pairs \$1.50 for sale by Brandon & Lawrence.

Miss Ella Eldson of Wellborn was in the city Tuesday on a shopping trip.

Mr. Nath Cotnam was in the city Tuesday morning from his home in Harvey.

5-ROOM HOUSE FOR RENT—Including 4 acres land, good water, out-houses, etc., one block from School house. Apply to Joe Greeland.

Mr. J. Harris of Harris School house was a business visitor to the city Tuesday.

Mr. Jack Lawless and Miss Kate Lawless of Kurten were in the city Tuesday on a shopping trip.

FOR RENT—Good place on Little Brazos. 70 acres in cultivation with two good houses. Geo. A. Adams.

Mrs. A. T. Towler and little son were here from their home at Benchley Tuesday, shopping with Bryan's progressive dealers.

Barnum and Bailey immediately offered their greatest show on earth for sale when they heard about the big circus to be given at Allen Academy Friday afternoon. Tickets on sale at Parks and Waldrop's.

Sensible Christmas Gifts for Men

Give a Man something to Wear if you want to please him.



Sofa pillows and pictures may appeal to you, but they don't interest him.

Our store is brimming over with sensible novelties in Men's wearables, especially selected for Holiday Gifts. Gifts that will please him and be appreciated.



SMOKING JACKETS.
Handsome Gof Plaids in brown, grey and blue \$5.00 \$6.00 and 7.50

BATH ROBES.
A large line in beautiful holiday colorings \$3.50, \$5.00, up to \$10



HANDKERCHIEFS.
Fine linen initial or plain hemstitched, beautifully boxed, 1-2 dozen in box for \$1.50.
Sets of Silk handkerchiefs, Tie and Half Hose to match per set \$1.50.

PARKS & WALDROP

The Clothiers

IS THERE SOMETHING IN THIS STORE FOR YOUR CHRISTMAS GIFT?

Christmas Suggestions.

Suits, \$25 kind, now

\$19.50

Suits \$19.50, now

\$15.00

Suits \$15.00, now

\$12.00

Suits \$12.00, now

\$9.98

SHIRT WAISTS.

Silk \$8 kind, now.....\$6.50
" \$650 kind, now.....5.00

HOSE.

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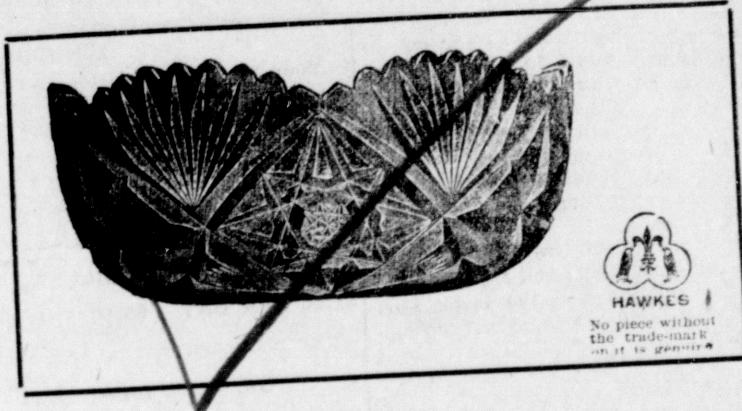
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FREIGHT RATES.

(By L. M. Hewitt.)

The making and adjusting of freight rates to govern charges for the transportation of the farmers product to market and the furnishing him with merchandise from the manufacturing centers of the country, is so little understood by the layman, that a complete analysis of its method may prove of benefit, not only for the purpose of knowing how it is done, but that we may better appreciate the reason why.

Not so many years ago, each railroad company by its general freight agent issued its own schedule of freight rates, making arbitrary charges for different classes of freight, to supply its revenue according to its possible needs, without any regard to its neighboring railroad.

Competition was warm and frequent "rate wars" were not only ruinous to the participating railroads but demoralizing to the public's business. Mr. A would approach the general freight agent of the XYZ road and propose to ship 100 cars of cattle from Fort Wayne to Chicago if he was given a special rate, a cut of possibly 3 to 5 cents per 100 pounds. Mr. General Freight Agent had the absolute authority to make the special rate and it was then a perfectly legitimate transaction and the rate was made and the stock was shipped to market, (by the way, a transaction that would now result in sending both Mr. General Freight agent and Mr. Shipper to the penitentiary.) At that time, 25 years ago, the only result was to precipitate a general cut on rate of shipping cattle to Chicago and soon resulted in such a rate war that the great freight carrying roads of the entire central north were carrying all kinds of freight at one half the actual expense. It caused such an uncertainty as to the carrying charges, that all business was practically at a standstill, to such a merchant, farmer and peace. The railroads were the only ones that could do this, but dis-

clared unconstitutional. Then came congress with an interstate commerce commission act, and an anti-trust act, and the outgrowth of all the remedial measures, with the co-operation of the railroads themselves, in the present system of freight rate making.

The present system consists mainly of three great traffic committees, eastern, central and western, under the supervision of the three traffic associations, with the concurrence of the Interstate Commerce Commission on all interstate business and the state railroad commission on all state traffic.

There are hundreds of sheets of "exceptions" to established freight rates issued every month by the rate committees. These "exceptions" are made in this way: Mr. A is manufacturing an article of commerce at some point and he wants to market it at some point in Texas, in competition with Mr. B for some other state. Mr. B has an interstate rate which affords him a profit to undersell Mr. A. The railroad company wants Mr. A to sell his product in sufficient quantity to make it a profitable tonnage and to assist him in doing so it joins Mr. A in a petition to the railroad commission to make an "exception" of this particular article, from the official classification. The commission grants the request and this "exception" is published and furnished to every railroad agent in the state. This sometimes causes confusion, but a careful rate clerk keeps his "exceptions" tabulated so carefully that with few exceptions he is "up-to-date."

Now a word to shippers — farm products. Nearly all farm products less a car load is second and third class rate, but if shipped in car lots there is a saving of fully 60 per cent on freight alone. Again, the product will reach market in much better condition. This can be arranged by several farmers shipping together under one bill of lading.

Again, it can be done by the farmers' organization arranging a shipping agent, which would prove of great value to the entire county. Such an agency would be equipped with all the statistical information on rates, routing and packing and would prove of benefit alike to farmer and merchant.

Again, Bryan has the same freight rates to and from all the large cities that Houston or Fort Worth have, giving Bryan the same selling or buying advantages as are enjoyed by either of the largest cities of Texas.

Missing Children Found.
Waco, Dec. 12.—Two children of T. F. Renfro, aged five and seven years, were found five miles in the country after having disappeared from here. The Renfros live at Hewett, nine miles south of Waco. The children ~~were~~ away while their parents were shopping.

Plans Not Announced.

San Antonio, Dec. 12.—Bexar county officials, whose commissions remain unsigned by Governor Campbell, have not announced their plan of action. Sheriff Lindsay refused to discuss the matter. District Attorney Baker says he is willing to do his part, but can not do it all.

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A dairy cow fed on molasses ought to give sweet milk.

Whether immoral or not, profanity is certainly ill-mannerly.

Bryan boasts of midwinter roses in full bloom in the open air and Beaumont shouts: "Me, too."

Little Holland isn't strong enough to swing a big stick but is getting in pretty good work with the little switch.

A public opinion that condemns stealing but justifies cheating and refusal to pay honest debt needs readjustment.

It is safe to assert and nobody will publicly deny that he who tries to beg, borrow or steal his living is an undesirable citizen.

If sidewalk building continues to progress at the present rate Bryan will be well supplied with sidewalks in about two centuries.

Roosevelt's proposition to reinstate the negroes concerned in the shooting up of Brownsville will not help along in Taft's effort to divide the solid South.

There are enough Democrats in congress to "make it rough house" and keep it up if the Republicans refuse to redeem their promises. This is one case where quarreling is a patriotic duty.

A beautiful home with a tumble-down fence and uneven dirt sidewalk in front of it is like a nice clean shirt of fine material with a ragged, dirty collar and cuffs.

A good many people have a suspicion that the spinal column of Thomas Mitchell Campbell, by the grace of the people governor of Texas, is composed chiefly of jelly.

Bryan has natural advantages in location and environment, and great acquired advantages in splendid schools, churches and other public institutions. Bryan ought to lead in civic pride and development.

A protective tariff is always and eternally wrong but since the majority will have it Southern congressmen would be censurable if they failed to oppose discrimination against their constituents.

Fifteen separate theatrical companies are now playing "The Devil" in Texas, but the only original and genuine Devil will play his pranks, cut capers and exhibit his antics at the Grand Thursday night.

A Chicago suffragette declares that when women vote men will no longer sneak off to the saloons alone but will take their wives with them. What about the children—but maybe there ain't going to be no children.

There is not a community of intelligent people on the face of the earth where the majority are not in favor of law, order and civic righteousness, but there are many communities where the majority, through indifference or cowardice, fails to assert itself.

One of The Eagle's metropolitan exchanges under the big black headline, "The Mountaineers Gather" tells a highly colored and sensational story about the trial of the nightriders at Union City, Tenn. Some editors need a study geography as well as to be more accurate in relating supposed facts.

The dreaded hoof and mouth disease has reached Louisiana and it is said that it is destroying many cattle in the eastern part of that state. The Texas live stock sanitary commission will meet in Fort Worth to put on a rigid quarantine in Louisiana. Should the disease now ravage the herds of Texas as it has of other states it would loss of millions to the owners pleasure in the.

Milk Fed Edible Rats.
The Chinese diplomat regarded his grilled frogs' legs with faint disgust. "I suppose they are good," he faltered. "It is hard, though, to conquer my repulsion. Yet they are clean-clean feeders, eh?"

The American laughed long and loud. "You," he cried, "are repelled by frogs' legs, you who eat dogs and rats!"

"Ah, but," said the Chinaman, "our edible dogs and rats are the cleanest feeders imaginable. They are equal to celery fed duck or California peach fed hog. They are confined in runs, you know, and to make their flesh white and delicate they are fed on mushes of bread and milk and vegetables—no meat whatever."

"You Americans think it disgusting to eat rats and dogs because you imagine them fattening on carrion and offal. But these frogs here—No, I'm afraid I can't. They may have fed on some tramp suicide for all I know."

He pushed back his plate and waited for the next course.

The Elusive Chuckwalla.

The chuckwalla is one of the most interesting of the creatures to be found in southern California's great desert. The chuckwalla seeks to escape his adversary by crawling into a crevice of a rock so narrow that it seems impossible to get him out. But the Indians have learned all his tricks and how to circumvent them. To the desert aborigine the chuckwalla is alluring. He feasts on the chuckwalla; hence he grows wise as to its habits.

He takes a piece of strong wire or a bent twig, and, poking it into the crevice, he taps the chuckwalla on the end of the nose. In a moment the angered reptile exhales a kind of hiss, the noise being made by a rapid expulsion of the breath. As he thus exhales he loses his hold on the rocks, and in a moment the Indian pulls on his tail.

As speedily as a flash of lightning the chuckwalla inhales again and tightens himself in his recess. Another tap on his nose and then exhalation; another pull, another exhalation—so it goes until at last the Indian has him in hand. Then he cooks him.—Suburban Life.

Depth at Which Miners Can Work.
Below fifty feet the temperature rises in the proportion of one degree for every sixty-five feet of depth except where currents of water carry the heat away. The result is that at a depth of about 4,000 feet we reach a temperature of 98 degrees, or blood heat. This renders it exceedingly difficult to work coal pits below that depth. This is the reason that Great Britain's coal commission decided that mines are not workable below 4,000 feet.

The thickness of the solid rocks building up the crust of the earth is at least thirty to forty miles. At that depth the heat is such as would reduce everything on the surface of the earth to liquid. But the pressure of the overlying rocks is so great that until the relation of the heat to the pressure is known it cannot be said whether the earth at that depth is fluid or solid.—Chicago Tribune.

Not "Lost in London."
The confession of the provost of the Great St. Bernard hospice that he almost got lost in London and found it more bewildering than his own Alps recalls to the London Chronicle a remarkable feat of the great guide Melchior Anderegg of Meiringen. He had never seen a larger town than Berne when he visited London, and when two famous climbers, Leslie Stephen and T. W. Hinchliff, met him at London Bridge station and walked with him thence to Lincoln's Inn Fields there was a thick London fog. Nevertheless when a day or two later the three were at the same station returning from a trip to Woolwich, Mr. Hinchliff confidently said, "Now, Melchior, you will lead us back home." And straight to Lincoln's Inn Fields Melchior guided them, pausing only once.

Why Joyner Left Home.
"Are you ready to receive the obligations?" asked the most upright supreme hocus pocus of the Order of Hoot Owls.

"I am," said the candidate firmly.

"Then take a sip of this prussic acid, place your right hand in this pot of boiling lead, rest your left hand upon this revolving buzzsaw, close your eyes and repeat after me!"

Early next morning shreds of Joyner's clothing were found upon the bushes and trees all along the road to Pottsville, thirty miles distant, and at Scrabbletown, sixty miles away, he was reported still headed west.—Judge.

Knew the Symptoms.
The Minister—John, John, I am surprised to see you. What good does it do you getting muddled like this, putting you off your work? When you go to bed you cannot sleep, your tongue is parched, your head is like to split, and you have no appetite. John—Gle us yer hand, sir; ye've been drunk yourself.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Six Weeks' Revival.
Chicago, Dec. 12.—Chicago is to have six weeks of revival services, beginning March 1, under the leadership of Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman of Philadelphia, assisted by the ministers and congregations of every Protestant church in the city in conjunction with the Laymen's Evangelistic council.

Due to Prevalent Disease.
Brussels, Dec. 12.—The importation into or transit through Belgium of cattle, sheep or hogs from the United States has been prohibited until further notice. This action was taken because of the foot and mouth disease in America.

Birds That Make Incubators.

In the incubator the pale yellow chicks, their soft down not yet quite dry in places, fell in their attempts to rise and walk, like men dead drunk. "There's another," said the chicken farmer as an excited little head came out of an egg. "Wonderful things, these incubators. Would you believe that there's a bird that makes them?"

"Yes, sir; a bird, the megapode, makes its own incubator every time it has a nest of eggs. It isn't bothered, like other birds, with the long and monotonous work of sitting."

"The megapode hails from Australia, the Barrier reef country. Its incubator is a simple affair, merely a great mound of leaves. In these leaves it buries its eggs, knowing that in that hot, moist climate the leaves will ferment and in their fermentation give off just enough heat to hatch the chicks."

"Who can deny intelligence to this bird, which makes its own incubator to hatch out its own eggs?"—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Belling the Cat.

"Who will bell the cat?" is a curious old proverb, famous in parable and in history. The mice, says the parable, held a consultation how to secure themselves from the cat, and they resolved to hang a bell about the cat's neck to give warning when she approached, but after they had resolved on doing it they were as far off as ever, for who would do it?

Both parable and proverb have immortalized themselves in history. When the Scottish nobles met at Stirling in a body they proposed to take Spence, the obnoxious favorite of James II., and hang him and so get rid of him.

"Ah," said Lord Grey, "that's very well said, but who'll bell the cat?"

"That will I," said the black Earl Angus. He undertook the task, accomplished it and was called "Archibald Bell the Cat" until his dying day.—Glasgow Times.

A Queer Census.

"When I was last in India," said the globe trotter, "they were taking the census. The returns were most remarkable. In the Allahabad census thirty-five citizens described themselves as 'men who rob with threats of violence.' There were 220 'flatterers for gain.' There were twenty-five 'hereditary thieves.' There were twenty-nine 'howlers at funerals.' There were 145 'ear cleaners.' There were seventy-six 'makers of crowns for idols.' There were fourteen 'hereditary painters of horses with spots.' There were nine 'professional false witnesses.'

"It seems remarkable, doesn't it? Maybe, though, if we, too, told the strict truth to the census taker our own census would seem quite as quaint as that of India."

Mathematics.

"Now, boys," said a schoolmaster, "a cabman who drove at the rate of six miles an hour left London, being followed three minutes later by another driver proceeding at the rate of seven miles an hour. Where would they meet?"

"At the nearest public house," answered a promising scholar.—London Tit-Bits.

Overtime.

"Look here," said the office boy, "the boss ought to gimme a bit o' overtime, but I guess he won't."

"What for?" asked the bookkeeper.

"For overtime. I wuz dreamin' about me work all las' night." — London Truth.

All Depends.

Tourist—It looks like pretty good soil around here. What crops do the farmers grow in this section? Native—That all depends, stranger. Tourist—Depends on what? Native—On what sort of seed they puts in.

Just So.

"I wish you would use your influence to get Jinx to attend our poker party this evening."

"Jinx! Why, he's the poorest poker player you ever saw!"

"I know it."—Houston Post.

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San Francisco, Dec. 11.—Within sight of home and his native land, Carl Harbster, a private in the hospital corps ended his life on the deck of the transport Thomas by slashing his throat with a razor as the vessel near to the Golden Gate. Harbster, who had been standing on the deck watching land come into view, suddenly went to his berth, returned with a razor and immediately cut his throat.

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Our Wonderful Railroads.

Gall Hamilton was right when she said that if there were never to be any railways on this continent it would have been an impertinence for Columbus to have discovered it. Only by the railways could its magnificent distances be bridged. Equally correct was Charles Carroll of Carrollton, the last survivor of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, when, on throwing up the first shovelful of earth for the first railway of the United States which was intended to carry passengers and freight, the Baltimore and Ohio, he exclaimed, "I consider this event second only to that of the adoption of the Declaration of Independence, if second even to that." That was in 1828. But England was far ahead of us in railway building in the beginning. Even Russia got a better start than we did. At the outset we imported not only our locomotives and cars, but also the rails on which they were run and the men to run them. However, John Stevens, Peter Cooper, Evan Thomas, Matthias Baldwin and others changed all this and in their various fields laid the foundations of a railway system which is today in dimensions and completeness far ahead of that of any other half a dozen countries in the world combined.—Leslie's Weekly.

The Franz Hals Museum in Holland.

Old Haarlem calls up the shadow of Franz Hals. The museum is verily a sanctuary to his memory. There the famous corporation pictures hang. One sees the members of the various guilds in the fullness of careless life, eating, drinking and merrymaking. Here Hals is seen at the height of his power. The splendid color and directness of work are a revelation. Every figure seems alive, and one is convinced they were all in the flesh once. This great master with one bold stroke of his brush made these men immortal. At eighty years he still painted, and his last picture hangs beside his masterpieces. Haarlem and Hals will be associated as long as the place lasts. One marvels at the execution of the Dutch painters, whether it be in the broad work of Hals or in the miniature finish of the genre masters. All of them had a splendid sense of values, atmosphere and human life; a perfect harmony of relation fills their canvases.—Springfield (Mass.) Republican.

Unconquerable.

It was a veteran soldiery that repopulated the plantations and the homesteads of the south, writes Thomas Nelson Page in the Old Dominion, and withstood the forces thrown against them during the period of reconstruction. In addition to personal pride, self reliance and physical courage, they possessed also race pride, which is inestimable in a great popular struggle.

However beaten and broken they were, the people came out of the war with their spirit unquenched and a belief that they were unconquerable.

A story used to be told of an old Confederate soldier who was trudging home after the war, broken and ragged and worn. He was asked what he would do if the Yankees got after him when he reached home.

"Oh, they ain't goin' to trouble me," he said. "If they do I'll just whip 'em again."

Cold and a Candle.

Dr. Moss of the English polar expedition of 1875 and 1876, among other odd things, tells of the effect of cold on a wax candle which he burned. The temperature was 35 degrees below zero, and the doctor must have been considerably discouraged when, upon looking at his candle, he discovered that the flame had all it could do to keep warm. It was so cold that the flame could not melt all the wax of the candle, but was forced to eat its way down the candle, leaving a sort of skeleton of the candle standing. There was heat enough, however, to melt oddly shaped holes in the thin walls of wax, and the result was a beautiful lacelike cylinder of white, with a tongue of yellow flame burning inside of it and sending out into the darkness many streaks of light.

Siege of Crete.

Crete can claim to have been the scene of one of the longest sieges on record, longer than the siege of Troy, for in the seventeenth century it took the Turks more than twenty years to capture its capital city. The island, in fact, is famous for protracted military operations, for, though the revolution of 1821 was speedily successful in the open country, the fortified towns were still uncaptured when the powers intervened in 1830.

Awkward For the Aeronaut.

An element of humor characterized one of Mr. Spencer's Indian experiences. One day, after making a parachute descent, his balloon, travelling on, came down among some fisher folk, who promptly unpicked the net to use for fishing lines and cut up the balloon to make waterproof clothing!—London Captain.

Humility and Vanity.

It is the humble man that advances. He recognizes his imperfections and strives to improve. His progress is the result of his knowledge of self. The vain, conceited, arrogant man stands still.

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From the Department of Publicity.

(James Hays Quarles.)

College Station, Dec. 15.—President Eliot of Harvard University has accepted an invitation to visit the A. & M. College of Texas and proper arrangements will be made for his reception when he shall have arrived here.

There are three Harvard men in the A. & M. College of this state: Dr. C. P. Fountain, professor in English, John A. Lomax, assistant professor of English and W. W. Reed, instructor of English. When it became known recently that President Eliot contemplated a Southern tour, Mr. Lomax as a former Harvard student, began correspondence with Cambridge and extended an invitation to Dr. Eliot to include this institution in his itinerary. The invitation was supplemented by one from President R. T. Miller and members of the faculty. Mr. Lomax has just received a letter from Joseph Warren, assistant secretary, asking him to advise as to details of schedule, and state that Dr. Eliot will leave Austin Feb. 26 at 11 a. m. and arrive at College Station at 4:30 p. m. traveling via the I. & G. N. and will remain here until Feb. 27 at 3:50, when he will leave for Houston via the H. & T. C. He will spend three days in Southern Texas, Feb. 28 and March 1-2 in Houston and Galveston.

Home For the Holidays.

College Station, Dec. 15.—Examinations are in progress here now and will continue until Monday next, and after that date the cadets will go home for the holidays. Some will remain here but the majority of them will go Tuesday of next week. Many of the instructors and some members of the faculty will be absent during the holidays and some will attend the state meeting of teachers at Austin. School duties will resume here January 4.

A parasol or umbrella is one of the most useful presents that can be given. In summer's heat or winter's rain, it is equally indispensable. In pearl and gold and pearl and silver handles, with nameplate for monogram, it is difficult to imagine a more acceptable gift, or remembrance which could possibly be in better taste. In silk covers steel frames Coulter is offering a beautiful line today at \$3.50 to \$10.

The Eagle has for sale old newspapers, clean and suitable for wrapping paper, 25c per 100.

Attention Merchants.

THE COTTON MARKET.

President Eugene Edge requests The Eagle to say that the visit of Mr. W. F. Proctor to this city and his speech at the court house this afternoon at 2 o'clock is one of great importance and he desires that all members of the Retail Merchants' association attend.

To the farmers and merchants of this section The Eagle can say that the visit of Mr. Proctor may be made one of greatest value. In fact, the good resulting from this visit, if his advice is followed, will be incalculable.

It can also say with equal truth that if Mr. Proctor faces a room full of empty benches at the court house today, it will be the last time he will come and he will feel little inclined to consider anything from this place in the future.

"Singing" Skule Kummin.

Mister & Mistus Jeremire Robbins, "Singin Skule" beginnint is kummin and will give theyre speakin & singin & things at the operey house Friday nite December 18 an the ladies of the Episcopal church air at the bottom of its kummin an git the funds that is raized. U & yore fokes air invited to kum an here all the new fangled tunes & things the skolars are goin to hev. All the skolars air well knon rit hear cept Mistus Robbins who is from Cincinnati. Say! hich up the mules an kum. If you air a gal, er haint, an kant git one, kum eny way. You wont regret it neether will the ladies what air gettin it up. Its goin to be the laffinest time old Bryan has seed in many a day, or nite either.

THE WEATHER.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 15.—Tonight and Wednesday, unsettled weather; warmer tonight.—Cline.

Will Again Visit Texas.

Washington, Dec. 15.—General Marshall, chief of engineers, told Representative Moore and Messrs. Taliaferro, Bear, Olet and Oden that he will make another trip to Texas and inspect Buffalo bayou and the Galveston ship canal projects. He could give no definite idea of the time of his visit but it is expected to be shortly after March 4.

Attacked by Masked Men.

Rusk, Tex., Dec. 14.—At Hammond's, a few miles from Rusk, three masked white men attacked and perhaps fatally injured G. B. Moore. The latter is a gin employee and it is believed, from his semi-unconscious utterances, that he accosted the men while they were trying to fire the plant.

Moving within narrow limits, there is little to induce trading in the cotton market. In fact, the tendency at present is downward and will likely continue until after the holidays. After that? Cotton at present prices is regarded as the cheapest commodity in the world.

Liverpool opened 3 points up Tuesday. Spot sales for the day reached a total of 6,000 bales only.

The American markets opened 4 to 5 points up, declined gradually throughout the session and sold 10 lower at the close. New Orleans acted in sympathy with New York, and the net changes were about the same.

Interior receipts are lessening, as the season advances, but as yet no curtailment is noted in the port movement. However, it is entirely clear that the bulk of the crop has now passed from the farmer's hands.

Very little business was transacted in the Bryan market yesterday the total receipts and sales not reaching 40 bales. Farmers are not inclined to sell the small remnant of their crop at present figures.

Tuesday's prices:

Low middling, 7c.
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Colquitt Inspecting Santa Fe.

Galveston, Dec. 14.—Railroad Commissioner Colquitt left Galveston on a special train to inspect the Santa Fe line. He is accompanied by General Manager Pettibone and General Superintendent Maxson. They first go to Gainesville and Paris.

Gets Twenty Years.

Anderson, Tex., Dec. 14.—Goodee Wheeler, charged with the killing of Sam Thomas near Shiro last July, has received a twenty year sentence. The trial lasted five days. The jury was out three hours.

Ten Cases of Smallpox.

Butler, Pa., Dec. 15.—Ten cases of smallpox have developed at Keenan, this county.

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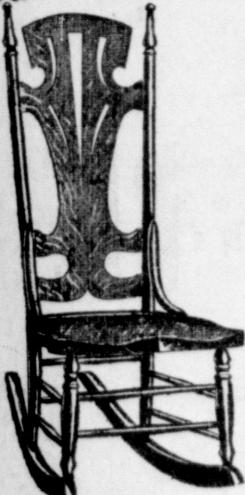
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